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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL'S
OPENING REMARKS BEFORE THE ANZUS COUNCIL ON APRIL 24.

QUOTE:

....RECENT EVENTS HAVE SHOWN HOW FRAGILE SOME ASPECTS OF
THE PRESENT ORDER CAN BE, AND HOW NECESSARY IT IS TO
CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO BUILD A VIABLE STRUCTURE OF PEACE-
FUL RELATIONSHIPS AMONG STATES.

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AS ALLIES AND OLD FRIENDS, WE MUST CONSIDER THESE EVENTS
THOUGHTFULLY, AND PLACE THEM WITHIN A BROAD HISTORICAL
CONTEXT. WHEN WE DO, WE WILL FIND UNFOUNDED CLAIMS THAT
AMERICAN POWER, COMMITMENT, AND RESOLVE HAVE DETERIORATED.

WE WILL SEE THAT, AMID SERIOUS CHALLENGES TO STABILITY, THERE ARE POSITIVE SIGNS OF A CONTINUING RELAXATION OF TENSIONS IN MUCH OF THE WORLD, AND AN ACCEPTANCE BY MAJOR POWERS OF THE NEED FOR RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR, IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND WORLD ORDER.

LET ME BEGIN WITH A BRIEF ANALYSIS OF THE SITUATION IN INDOCHINA, AN ISSUE OF PRIMARY CONCERN TO THE ANZUS ALLIANCE.

AS ALLIES, THE ANZUS PARTNERS MUST LOOK OBJECTIVELY AT THE SITUATION IN INDOCHINA. GOVERNMENTS SUPPORTED BY THE UNITED STATES HAVE SUFFERED SERIOUS REVERSES; CAMBODIA HAS FALLEN TO HOSTILE FORCES, AND YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE SITUATION IN VIET-NAM. WE ARE ALSO WELL AWARE THAT FOR MANY OBSERVERS THESE EVENTS, AND OUR RESPONSES TO THEM, CALL INTO QUESTION THE POWER AND WILL OF THIS COUNTRY, AND ITS READINESS TO SUPPORT ITS ALLIES AGAINST AGGRESSION. WE BELIEVE THIS CONCERN WILL PROVE UNWARRANTED.

DESPITE THE TRAGEDY OF CAMBODIA, AND THE HIGHLY PRECARIOUS SITUATION IN SOUTH VIET-NAM, THE FUTURE OF THE REGION IS NOT BLEAK. WHILE SEVERAL REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS -- NOTABLY THAILAND -- APPEAR TO BE REASSESSING AND ADJUSTING THEIR RELATIONSHIPS IN THE WAKE OF INDOCHINA DEVELOPMENTS, THEY SEEM TO BE UNDERTAKING THIS IN A REASONED AND SELF-CONFIDENT MANNER. THE NORTH VIETNAMESE AND THEIR ALLIES IN CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIET-NAM WILL NEED TIME TO RECONSTRUCT THE AREAS UNDER THEIR CONTROL, AND BROADER ADVENTURES ON THEIR PART DO NOT SEEM TO BE AN IMMEDIATE PROSPECT. IN THE MEANTIME, IT IS CLEARLY IN THE INTEREST OF THE ANZUS ALLIES TO CONTINUE SUPPORTING THE MODERATE STATES OF SOUTHEAST ASIA, AND TO STRENGTHEN, IN SO FAR AS WE CAN, COOPERATION AMONG THEM.

THERE IS THE LARGER QUESTION OF WHAT INDOCHINA MEANS FOR
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GLOBAL RELATIONSHIPS, I WOULD NOT DENY THAT UNITED STATES CREDIBILITY HAS BEEN AFFECTED TO A DEGREE BY EVENTS IN INDOCHINA, OR THAT THIS MAY IN SOME MEASURE CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR US ELSEWHERE. BUT I WOULD EMPHASIZE THAT THE SITUATION DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ALTERED THE FUNDAMENTAL PERCEPTIONS OF THE MAJOR COMMUNIST POWERS TOWARD THE UNITED STATES. OUR CREDIBILITY, WHICH IS CENTRAL TO A CONTINUING PROCESS OF DETENTE, REMAINS ESSENTIALLY INTACT.

THERE HAS BEEN NO SUDDEN ADVENTURISM ON THE PART OF THE SOVIET UNION OR THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, AND WE DO NOT EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE. IN PART, THIS REFLECTS

THE CHANGED INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE, AND IN PART THE LIMITATIONS OF SOVIET AND CHINESE INFLUENCE AND POWER. BUT MOST OF ALL, IN MY JUDGMENT, IT REFLECTS CONTINUED SOVIET AND CHINESE RECOGNITION THAT THE UNITED STATES REMAINS STRONG, AND -- MORE IMPORTANT -- THAT IT RETAINS THE WILL TO USE ITS POWER IN SUPPORT OF ITS TREATY ALLIES AND TO DEFEND ITS VITAL INTERESTS.

IT IS THIS PERCEPTION OF THE STRENGTH AND WILL OF THE UNITED STATES, AND OF ITS ALLIES, THAT HAS MADE POSSIBLE A REDUCTION OF TENSIONS IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA, AND HAS ALLOWED AT LEAST LIMITED PROGRESS TOWARD THE RESOLUTION OF DIFFICULT MULTILATERAL ISSUES.

WE ARE CONVINCED THAT A CONTINUING, STRONG AMERICAN ROLE IS INDISPENSABLE TO GLOBAL STABILITY AND PROGRESS. THEREFORE, THE CENTRAL THRUST OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY HAS BEEN TO ADJUST OUR ROLE IN THE WORLD AND THE CONCEPTIONS, METHODS, AND COMMITMENTS WHICH DEFINE IT TO THE CONDITIONS OF A NEW ERA -- INCLUDING THE CHANGED SITUATION IN INDOCHINA. FURTHER PROGRESS IN REDUCING TENSIONS, WHETHER IN EAST ASIA OR WORLD-WIDE, REQUIRES THAT WE REMAIN STRONG AND UNITED -- AND THAT POTENTIAL ADVERSARIES SO PERCEIVE US. IT IS IN THIS SENSE THAT WE REGARD ANZUS AS ESPECIALLY RELEVANT.

AFTER OUR RECENT EXPERIENCES WE HAVE A SPECIAL OBLIGATION
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TO MAKE SURE THAT COMMITMENTS WE HAVE MADE WILL BE RIGOROUSLY KEPT -- AND THAT THIS IS UNDERSTOOD BY ALL CONCERNED. LET NOALLY DOUBT OUR STEADFASTNESS.

MIDDLE EAST

AFTER INDOCHINA, THE MIDDLE EAST IS THE AREA OF THE WORLD THAT GIVES US THE MOST CAUSE FOR CONCERN. OUR INABILITY TO ACHIEVE A SECOND STAGE ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN DISENGAGEMENT IN MARCH, AFTER EIGHTEEN MONTHS OF SUBSTANTIAL ACCOMPLISHMENT IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE, CAME AS A DISAPPOINTMENT.

THE STRATEGY THE US DEVELOPED FOLLOWING THE 1973 WAR WAS DESIGNED TO BREAK THE ARAB-ISRAELI PROBLEM DOWN INTO MANAGEABLE ELEMENTS AND TO DEAL WITH THEM ONE AT A TIME.

TO SUCCEED, THIS STRATEGY REQUIRED EACH PARTY TO PUT ASIDE DURING NEGOTIATIONS ON INTERIM AGREEMENTS DEMANDS THAT THE OTHER COMMIT ITSELF IN ADVANCE TO FINAL POSITIONS ON SUCH FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES OF A FINAL SETTLEMENT AS FINAL BORDERS, PALESTINIAN RIGHTS, AND COMMITMENTS

TO END BELLIGERENCY AND ESTABLISH PEACE.

IN PREPARING OUR EFFORTS IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH, WE HAD GIVEN OUR JUDGMENT THAT ANOTHER MOVE TOWARD PEACE WAS ESSENTIAL.

THE PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR THE MARCH TRIP WERE THREE:

-- THE DANGER THAT SYRIA WOULD SEEK TO BLOCK AN EGYPTIAN-

SRAELI AGREEMENT AND SUCCEED IN LINING UP KING FAISAL'S SUPPORT.

-- EGYPT'S NEED TO GET SUFFICIENT TERRITORY BACK IN SINAI TO JUSTIFY ITS TAKING A SEPARATE STEP IN THEFACE OF ARAB OPPOSITION. IT WAS OUR JUDGMENT,AND WE STRESSED IT TO THE ISRAELIS, THAT SADAT COULD NOT SETTLE FOR LESS THAN ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE SINAI PASSES AND CONFIDENTIAL

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EGYPTIAN RECOVERY OF THE SINAI OIL FIELDS.

-- ISRAEL'S NEED TO GET A SUBSTANTIAL POLITICAL QUID PRO QUO, WHICH IT DEFINED AS AN EGYPTIAN AGREEMENTTOEND THE STATE OF BELLIGERENCY. WE TOLD THE ISRAELISTHIS WAS UNACHIEVABLE SINCE EGYPT SAW AN END OF BELLIGERENCY AS PART OF A FINAL SETTLEMENT, BUT ATTHE SAMETIME WE IMPRESSED UPON SADAT THAT MEANINGFUL POLITICAL CONCESSIONS TOISRAEL WOULD BE REQUIRED.

AS THINGS DEVELOPED, TTE SYRIANS AND FAISAL APPEARED READY TO HOLD THEIR FIRE AND NOT TRY TO BLOCK THE STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH.

AT THE END, HOWEVER, THE GAP BETWEEN EGYPTIAN TERRITORIAL AND ISRAELI POLITICAL CONDITIONS WAS NOT BRIDGEABLE.

THE RESPECTIVE POSITIONS WHEN WE SUSPENDED THE NEGOTIATIONS WERE THESE:

EGYPT, WHILE REFUSING A FORMAL END TO BELLIGEREMRY, AGREED:

-- TO STATE THAT THE CONFLICT WOULD NOT BE SETTLED BY MILITARY BUT RATHER BY PEACEFUL MEANS.

-- TO GIVE A COMMITMENT NOT TO RESORT TO THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE AND TO SETTLE ALL DISPUTES BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL BY NEGOTIATIONS AND OTHER PEACEFULMEANS.

-- TO REPEAT THE LANGUAGE OF THE DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT ABOUT REFRAINING FROM MILITARY AND PARAMILITARY ACTIONS

AGAINST ISRAEL;

-- TO ACCEPT AN ISRAELI PROPOSAL THAT THE AGREEMENT SHOULD REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL SUPERSEDED BY A NEW AGREEMENT;

-- THAT THE UNEF SHOULD BE RENEWED ANNUALLY; AND

-- THAT IT WOULD PUT INTO BEING LIMITED STEPS ON SPECIFIC ELEMENTS OF NON-BELLIGERENCY, SUCH AS PERMITTING ISRAELI
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CARGOES THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL AS AGREED IN THE FIRST
DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT, AND A DE FACTO EASING OF THE
ARAB BOYCOTT ON A SELECTIVE BASIS.

ISRAEL CONTINUED TO PRESS FOR A FORMAL TERMINATION OF
BELLIGERENCY OR, FAILING THAT, A MORE LIMITED WITH-
DRAWAL OF ITS FORCES AND THE RETURN OF THE OIL FIELDS
TO EGYPT AS AN ENCLAVE, UNCONNECTED BY LAND WITH OTHER
EGYPTIAN-CONTROLLED TERRITORY.

THE ISRAELIS FACE A DILEMMA: THEY PERCEIVE VIRTUALLY
ANY STEP TOWARDS SETTLEMENT AS INHERENTLY ASYMMETRICAL
-- THEY ARE EXPECTED TO GIVE UP TERRITORY IN RETURN FOR
ESSENTIALLY INTANGIBLE ARAB CONCESSIONS. THE SECRETARY
STATED THE VIEW, HOWEVER, THAT WHAT ISRAEL STOOD TO GAIN
WAS THE CONTINUATION OF A NEGOTIATING PROCESS CONTROLLED
BY MODERATE PARTIES.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? PRESIDENT FORD HAS CALLED FOR
A REASSESSMENT OF OUR MIDDLE EAST POLICY. WE ARE
STARTING FROM SCRATCH, ASKING OURSELVES AGAIN WHAT ARE
OUR BASIC INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND HOW WE SHOULD
PURSUE THEM IN THE PRESENT ENVIRONMENT. THE REVIEW
PROCESS IS UNDERWAY AND WE HAVE NOT YET EXTRACTED FIRM
CONCLUSIONS FROM IT.

NUCLEAR TEST BAN

KNOWING OF THE DEEP INTEREST OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND
IN SUCH MATTERS, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT BRIEFLY ON
PROGRESS TOWARD A NUCLEAR TEST BAN AND NUCLEAR NON-
PROLIFERATION.

ONE OF THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVES THAT WE HAVE TO GAIN IN AN
ERA OF DETENTE IS PROGRESS ON A VARIETY OF NUCLEAR-
RELATED ISSUES THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TOWARD MAKING THIS
A SAFER WORLD FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

THE UNITED STATES REMAINS FIRMLY COMMITTED TO SEEKING AN
ADEQUATELY VERIFIED, COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST BAN.

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EXAMINATION OF THE POSSIBILITIES FOR A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN CONTINUES TO BE A HIGH PRIORITY ITEM ON THE AGENDA OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT (CCD). ALTHOUGH SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN RECENT YEARS IN SEISMIC MONITORING CAPABILI-

TIES, WE STILL BELIEVE THAT SOME ON-SITE INSPECTION WOULD BE NECESSARY TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH SUCH A BAN.

THE US STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE LIMITED TEST BAN TREATY, WHICH BANS NUCLEAR TEST IN THE ATMOSPHERE, AND OUTER SPACE, AND UNDER THE WATER. WE HOPE THAT STATES THAT HAVE NOT YET ADHERED TO THAT TREATY, INCLUDING TWO OF THE NUCLEAR POWERS, WILL FIND IT IN THEIR INTEREST TO DO SO. IN THIS CONNECTION, I AM ENCOURAGED BY THE FRENCH DECISION TO DISCONTINUE NUCLEAR TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE.

THE THRESHOLD TEST BAN TREATY, NEGOTIATED IN MOSCOW AT THE 1974 SUMMIT, IS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN LIMITING UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTING. BY TERMINATING HIGH-YIELD NUCLEAR TESTING BY THE US AND USSR, THE TREATY WILL SIGNIFICANTLY CONSTRAIN DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW GENERATION OF NUCLEAR WARHEADS AND WILL THUS MODERATE THE NUCLEAR ARMS COMPETITION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE TREATY IS ACCOMPANIED BY A PROTOCOL LISTING TECHNICAL DATA TO BE EXCHANGED TO ENHANCE VERIFICATION. THIS INNOVATIVE TREATMENT OF THE VERIFICATION QUESTION WILL HELP PROVIDE A SOUND TECHNICAL BASIS FOR FURTHER TESTING RESTRAINTS AND MAY SERVE AS A PRECEDENT FOR OTHER ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENTS.

THE TREATY CONTAINS A COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS WITH A VIEW TO ENDING ALL UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS. IT IS THUS A STEP TOWARD A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AND TOWARD FULFILLING OUR OBLIGATION UNDER THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY TO MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT.

NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION

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WE ARE WELL AWARE OF YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. WE TOO ARE CONCERNED. THE WIDER DISSEMINATION OF PLANTS AND FUEL FOR THE GENERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER IS INCREASING THE RISK THAT NUCLEAR MATERIAL COULD BE DIVERTED TO WEAPONS. ANY FURTHER

INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES WOULD ONLY ADD NEW DANGERS TO THE SECURITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

IN OUR VIEW, THE WORLD COMMUNITY MUST WORK URGENTLY TOWARD A MORE COMPREHENSIVE SET OF MEASURES DESIGNED TO PREVENT MISUSE OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS, ESPECIALLY FISSIONABLE MATERIALS. WE PLAN TO SEEK COORDINATED SUPPLIER POLICIES TO STRENGTHEN AND STANDARDIZE

SAFEGUARDS. WE WANT TO DISCOURAGE SUPPLIERS FROM CUTTING CORNERS ON SAFEGUARDS TO INCREASE THEIR COMPETITIVENESS. IMPROVED SAFEGUARDS, WE BELIEVE, ENHANCE THE PROSPECTS FOR CONTINUED COMMERCE IN THE PEACEFUL NUCLEAR FIELD. ONE MEASURE TO WHICH WE HAVE GIVEN PARTICULAR ATTENTION IN RECENT MONTHS IS AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TO IMPROVE PHYSICAL SECURITY AGAINST THEFT OR DIVERSION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL. WE BELIEVE THE IAEA WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE FORUM FOR SUCH AN INITIATIVE.

THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY REMAINS A MAJOR ELEMENT IN THE SEARCH FOR DURABLE BARRIERS AGAINST PROLIFERATION. AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 85 PARTIES TO THE TREATY. AS YOU KNOW, IMPORTANT SIGNATORIES, INCLUDING JAPAN, THE FRG, AND ITALY HAVE NOT YET RATIFIED, BUT THE PROSPECTS OF THEIR EARLY RATIFICATION HAVE IMPROVED.

THE DOMESTIC DIMENSION - CONCLUSIONS

I KNOW THERE ARE MANY KEY ISSUES IN THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA THAT I HAVE NOT EVEN TOUCHED ON IN THESE OPENING REMARKS. MANY ARE SCHEDULED TO COME UP DURING THE CONSIDERATION OF OTHER AGENDA ITEMS. AS WE GO ALONG OTHERS MAY COME UP INFORMALLY.

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BUT I WANT TO CONCLUDE WITH SOME OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE DOMESTIC SCENE IN THE US AS IT IMPACTS ON FOREIGN POLICY CONSIDERATIONS. THIS IS A DIMENSION OF THE WORLD SCENE THAT I AM SURE WILL BE FOREMOST IN YOUR MINDS AS YOU VISIT THE UNITED STATES.

YOU WILL NOT BE SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT DIVISIONS AT HOME HAVE CREATED OR COMPOUNDED SOME OF OUR RECENT FOREIGN POLICY DIFFICULTIES.

THE DOMESTIC CONSENSUS UNDERGIRDING OUR FOREIGN POLICY IS SOMEWHAT FRAYED AROUND THE EDGES; SOME AMERICANS ARE LOOKING AT THE CENTRAL PREMISES OF OUR PAST POLICIES WITH GREATER SKEPTICISM.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUPPORT FOR KEY INITIATIVES HAS BECOME MORE DIFFICULT, SINCE MANY IMPORTANT ISSUES NOW FALL IN A TWILIGHT ZONE BETWEEN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC POLICY. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE OF ENERGY, FOOD, TRADE AND MONETARY QUESTIONS ON WHICH DOMESTIC INTERESTS MUST BE

CCOMMODATED EVEN AS WE SEEK TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY DESIGN.

WE ARE WORKING HARD TO ESTABLISH A NEW PATTERN OF RELATIONS WITH THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH. CONGRESS IS INCREASINGLY ASSERTIVE ON FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS. BUT POWER ON THE HILL IS INCREASINGLY DIFFUSE. AND THIS COMPLICATES THE TASK OF IDENTIFYING THE SOURCES OF INFLUENCE IN CONGRESS AND DEVELOPING NEW WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEM.

A NEW GENERATION OF AMERICANS HAS COME OF AGE, AND THEIR PERSPECTIVES ON FOREIGN POLICY HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY MARKED BY THE TRAUMATIC EVENTS IN INDOCHINA. PARTICULARLY AMONG THE YOUNG, ONE ENCOUNTERS DOUBTS ABOUT THE EFFICACY OF US MILITARY POWER, SUSPICIONS ABOUT US INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES, RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE NECESSITY OF CONFIDENTIAL DIPLOMACY, AND CYMICISM ABOUT THE OBJECTIVES UNDERLYING OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

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BUT WHILE THESE DIFFICULTIES SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED, NEITHER SHOULD THEY BE EXAGGERATED. TO THE EXTENT THAT SOME OF OUR PROBLEMS ARE OF OUR OWN MAKING, THEY ARE THE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO OUR REMEDIES. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU OF MY OWN CONFIDENCE THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL SUPPORT A RESPONSIBLE AND ACTIVE US FOREIGN POLICY IN THE FUTURE.

RECENT SETBACKS HAVE NOT DEMORALIZED THE US PUBLIC. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE RETAIN THEIR ESSENTIAL RESILIENCY, BUOYANCY, CONFIDENCE, OPTIMISM AND MAGNANIMITY. THIS IS PARTICULARLY EVIDENT WHEN ONE TRAVELS BEYOND OUR CAPITAL.

DESPITE THE DEBACLE IN INDOCHINA, THE ESSENTIALS OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY REMAIN INTACT --WE WANT TO INFUSE OLD ALLIANCES WITH NEW PURPOSES, TO DEVELOP MORE DURABLE RELATIONS WITH FORMER ADVERSARIES, TO ESTABLISH MORE EFFECTIVE AND MORE EQUITABLE GUIDELINES FOR MANAGING THE WORLD ECONOMY, TO PRESERVE AN ACTIVE THOUGH LESS OBTRUSIVE ROLE IN ASIA. THERE IS LITTLE DEBATE ON SUCH ESSENTIALS.

SOME RECENT POLLS ON US PUBLIC ATTITUDES TOWARD FOREIGN
POLICY INDICATE THAT THERE IS NO STRONG IMPULSE TO
RETREAT FROM AN ACTIVE INTERNATIONAL ROLE. MOST
AMERICANS RECOGNIZE THAT THE REALITY OF INTERDEPENDENCE
IS INESCAPABLE.

IN THE FIELDS OF ENERGY, FOOD, TRADE, AND MONEY, THE
PUBLIC AND CONGRESS HAVE READILY SUPPORTED ADMINISTRATION

REQUESTS FOR NEW COMMITMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL APPROACHES
TO THE STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS.

JUST AS WE RECOGNIZE THAT OUR MANAGEMENT OF THESE
DOMESTIC CHALLENGES IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE RESERVATION
OF CLOSE TIES WITH OUR ALLIES, EVIDENCE OF EFFECTIVE
PARTNERSHIP WITH LONG-STANDING ALLIES EASES OUR TASK
OF ELICITING CONGRESSIONAL AND PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR OUR
POLICIES. IT IS WITH THIS IN MIND THAT I PARTICULARLY
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WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE IN BROAD RANGING
CONSULTATIONS WITH OUR ANZUS PARTNERS THIS WEEK.
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